

**Question of Privilege:** The Chair ruled that the resolution offered by Representative Slaughter did not constitute a question of the privileges of the House. Subsequently, Representative Slaughter appealed the ruling of the chair and Representative Stivers moved to table the appeal. Agreed to the motion to table the appeal of the ruling of the Chair by a yea-and-nay vote of 240 yeas to 183 nays, Roll No. 536.

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**Unanimous Consent Agreement:** Agreed by unanimous consent that the question of adopting a motion to recommit on H.R. 3192 may be subject to postponement as though under clause 8 of rule 20.

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**Homebuyers Assistance Act:** The House passed H.R. 3192, to provide for a temporary safe harbor from the enforcement of integrated disclosure requirements for mortgage loan transactions under the Real Estate Settlement Procedures Act of 1974 and the Truth in Lending Act, by a vote yea-and-nay of 303 yeas to 121 nays, Roll No. 540.

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Rejected the Moulton motion to recommit the bill to the Committee on Financial Services with instructions to report the same back to the House forthwith with an amendment, by a yea-and-nay vote of 185 yeas to 240 nays, Roll No. 539.

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H. Res. 462, the rule providing for consideration of the bill (H.R. 3192) was agreed to by a yea-and-nay vote of 238 yeas to 181 nays, Roll No. 537, after the previous question was ordered.

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**Establishing a Select Investigative Panel of the Committee on Energy and Commerce:** The House agreed to H. Res. 461, amended, establishing a Select Investigative Panel of the Committee on Energy and Commerce, by a yea-and-nay vote of 242 yeas to 184 nays, Roll No. 538.

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Agreed to the Foxx amendment by voice vote.

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**Commission on Care—Minority Leader Appointment:** The Chair announced the Minority Leader's reappointment of the following individual on the part of the House to the Commission on Care: Ms. Lucretia M. McClenney, Locust Grove, Virginia.

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**Senate Messages:** Message from the Senate and message received from the Senate by the Clerk and subsequently presented to the House today appear on page H6848.

**Senate Referral:** S. Con. Res. 22 was referred to the Committee on Oversight and Government Reform.

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**Quorum Calls—Votes:** Five yea-and-nay votes developed during the proceedings of today and appear on pages H6857, H6858, H6879, H6880, H6880–81. There were no quorum calls.

**Adjournment:** The House met at 10 a.m. and adjourned at 7:14 p.m.

## Committee Meetings

### DEVELOPMENT OF THE 2015 DIETARY GUIDELINES FOR AMERICANS

*Committee on Agriculture:* Full Committee held a hearing to review the development of the 2015 Dietary Guidelines for Americans. Testimony was heard from Tom Vilsack, Secretary, Department of Agriculture; and Sylvia Burwell, Secretary, Department of Health and Human Services.

### PLUTONIUM DISPOSITION AND THE MOX PROJECT

*Committee on Armed Services:* Subcommittee on Strategic Forces held a hearing entitled "Plutonium Disposition and the MOX Project". Testimony was heard from Frank G. Klotz, Administrator, National Nuclear Security Administration; John J. MacWilliams, Senior Advisor to the Secretary of Energy, Department of Energy; and a public witness.

### STRENGTHENING HEAD START FOR CURRENT AND FUTURE GENERATIONS

*Committee on Education and the Workforce:* Full Committee held a hearing entitled "Strengthening Head Start for Current and Future Generations". Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

### PROTECTING AMERICA'S WORKERS: AN ENFORCEMENT UPDATE FROM THE OCCUPATIONAL SAFETY AND HEALTH ADMINISTRATION

*Committee on Education and the Workforce:* Subcommittee on Workforce Protections held a hearing entitled "Protecting America's Workers: An Enforcement Update from the Occupational Safety and Health Administration". Testimony was heard from David Michaels, Assistant Secretary of Labor for Occupational Safety and Health, Department of Labor.

### EPA'S CO2 REGULATIONS FOR NEW AND EXISTING POWER PLANTS

*Committee on Energy and Commerce:* Subcommittee on Energy and Power held a hearing entitled "EPA's CO2 Regulations for New and Existing Power Plants". Testimony was heard from Janet McCabe, Acting EPA Administrator for Air and Radiation, Environmental Protection Agency.

**IMPROVING FEDERAL SPECTRUM SYSTEMS**

*Committee on Energy and Commerce:* Subcommittee on Communications and Technology held a hearing entitled “Improving Federal Spectrum Systems”. Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

**REFORMING FOOD AID: DESPERATE NEED TO DO BETTER**

*Committee on Foreign Affairs:* Full Committee held a hearing entitled “Reforming Food Aid: Desperate Need to Do Better”. Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

**FOOD SECURITY AND NUTRITION PROGRAMS IN AFRICA**

*Committee on Foreign Affairs:* Subcommittee on Africa, Global Health, Global Human Rights, and International Organizations held a hearing entitled “Food Security and Nutrition Programs in Africa”. Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

**REVIEWING PRESIDENT XI'S STATE VISIT**

*Committee on Foreign Affairs:* Subcommittee on Asia and the Pacific held a hearing entitled “Reviewing President Xi's State Visit”. Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

**EXAMINING THE MISSION, STRUCTURE, AND REORGANIZATION EFFORT OF THE NATIONAL PROTECTION AND PROGRAMS DIRECTORATE**

*Committee on Homeland Security:* Subcommittee on Cybersecurity, Infrastructure Protection, and Security Technologies held a hearing entitled “Examining the Mission, Structure, and Reorganization Effort of the National Protection and Programs Directorate”. Testimony was heard from the following Department of Homeland Security officials: Suzanne Spaulding, Under Secretary, National Protection and Programs Directorate; Phyllis Schneck, Deputy Under Secretary, Cybersecurity and Communications, National Protections and Programs Directorate; and Ronald J. Clark, Deputy Under Secretary, National Protections and Programs Directorate; and Chris P. Currie, Director, Emergency Management National Preparedness and Critical Infrastructure Protection Homeland Security and Justice Team, Government Accountability Office.

**MISCELLANEOUS MEASURES**

*Committee on Natural Resources:* Full Committee began a markup on H.R. 974, the “Yellowstone and Grand Teton Paddling Act”; H.R. 1107, the “Bureau of Reclamation Transparency Act”; H.R. 1452, to authorize Escambia County, Florida, to convey certain property that was formerly part of Santa Rosa Island National Monument and that was conveyed to

Escambia County subject to restrictions on use and reconveyance; H.R. 1820, to authorize the Secretary of the Interior to retire coal preference right lease applications for which the Secretary has made an affirmative commercial quantities determination, and for other purposes; H.R. 2212, to take certain Federal lands located in Lassen County, California, into trust for the benefit of the Susanville Indian Rancheria, and for other purposes; H.R. 2270, the “Billy Frank Jr. Tell Your Story Act”; H.R. 2406, the “SHARE Act”; and H.R. 3382, the “Lake Tahoe Restoration Act of 2015”.

**NATIVE AMERICAN ENERGY ACT; BILL TO ADAPT TO CHANGING CRUDE OIL MARKET CONDITIONS**

*Committee on Rules:* Full Committee held a hearing on H.R. 538, the “Native American Energy Act”; and H.R. 702, to adapt to changing crude oil market conditions. The committee granted, by voice vote, a structured rule for H.R. 538. The rule provides one hour of debate equally divided and controlled by the chair and ranking minority member of the Committee on Natural Resources. The rule waives all points of order against consideration of the bill. The rule makes in order as original text for the purpose of amendment an amendment in the nature of a substitute consisting of the text of Rules Committee Print 114–30 and provides that it shall be considered as read. The rule waives all points of order against that amendment in the nature of a substitute. The rule makes in order only those further amendments printed in part A of the Rules Committee report. Each such amendment may be offered only in the order printed in the report, may be offered only by a Member designated in the report, shall be considered as read, shall be debatable for the time specified in the report equally divided and controlled by the proponent and an opponent, shall not be subject to amendment, and shall not be subject to a demand for division of the question. The rule waives all points of order against the amendments printed in part A of the report. The rule provides one motion to recommit with or without instructions. Additionally, the rule grants a structured rule for H.R. 702. The rule provides one hour of general debate equally divided and controlled by the chair and ranking minority member of the Committee on Energy and Commerce. The rule waives all points of order against consideration of the bill. The rule makes in order as original text for the purpose of amendment an amendment in the nature of a substitute consisting of the text of Rules Committee Print 114–29 and provides that it shall be considered as read. The rule waives all points of order

against that amendment in the nature of a substitute. The rule makes in order only those further amendments printed in part B of the Rules Committee report. Each such amendment may be offered only in the order printed in the report, may be offered only by a Member designated in the report, shall be considered as read, shall be debatable for the time specified in the report equally divided and controlled by the proponent and an opponent, shall not be subject to amendment, and shall not be subject to a demand for division of the question. The rule waives all points of order against the amendments printed in part B of the report. The rule provides one motion to recommit with or without instructions. Testimony was heard from Chairman Bishop of Utah, and Representatives Polis, Young of Alaska, Barton, Rush, Gene Green of Texas, Curbelo of Florida, and Jackson Lee.

### THE EMV DEADLINE AND WHAT IT MEANS FOR SMALL BUSINESSES

*Committee on Small Business:* Full Committee held a hearing entitled “The EMV Deadline and What It Means for Small Businesses”. Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

### ENSURING AVIATION SAFETY IN THE ERA OF UNMANNED AIRCRAFT SYSTEMS

*Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure:* Subcommittee on Aviation held a hearing entitled “Ensuring Aviation Safety in the Era of Unmanned Aircraft Systems”. Testimony was heard from Michael G. Whitaker, Deputy Administrator, Federal Aviation Administration; James Hubbard, Deputy Chief, State and Private Forestry, U.S. Forest Service; and public witnesses.

### A CALL FOR SYSTEM-WIDE CHANGE: EVALUATING THE INDEPENDENT ASSESSMENT OF THE VETERANS HEALTH ADMINISTRATION

*Committee on Veterans' Affairs:* Full Committee held a hearing entitled “A Call for System-Wide Change: Evaluating the Independent Assessment of the Veterans Health Administration”. Testimony was heard from Robert A. McDonald, Secretary, Department of Veterans Affairs; and public witnesses.

### RISING COSTS OF HIGHER EDUCATION AND TAX POLICY

*Committee on Ways and Means:* Subcommittee on Oversight held a hearing on the rising costs of higher education and tax policy. Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

## Joint Meetings

No joint committee meetings were held.

## COMMITTEE MEETINGS FOR THURSDAY, OCTOBER 8, 2015

(Committee meetings are open unless otherwise indicated)

### Senate

*Committee on Armed Services:* to hold hearings to examine Russian strategy and military operations, 9:30 a.m., SH-216.

*Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation:* Subcommittee on Consumer Protection, Product Safety, Insurance, and Data Security, to hold hearings to examine consumer product safety and the recall process, 10 a.m., SR-253.

*Committee on Energy and Natural Resources:* to hold hearings to examine H.R. 2898, to provide drought relief in the State of California, S. 1894, to provide short-term water supplies to drought-stricken California, S. 1936, to provide for drought preparedness measures in the State of New Mexico, S. 1583, to authorize the expansion of an existing hydroelectric project, S. 2046, to authorize the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission to issue an order continuing a stay of a hydroelectric license for the Mahoney Lake hydroelectric project in the State of Alaska, and S. 2083, to extend the deadline for commencement of construction of a hydroelectric project, 9:30 a.m., SD-366.

Subcommittee on Public Lands, Forests, and Mining, to hold hearings to examine S. 414, to provide for conservation, enhanced recreation opportunities, and development of renewable energy in the California Desert Conservation Area, S. 872, to provide for the recognition of certain Native communities and the settlement of certain claims under the Alaska Native Claims Settlement Act, S. 1295 and H.R. 1324, bills to adjust the boundary of the Arapaho National Forest, Colorado, S. 1448, to designate the Frank Moore Wild Steelhead Sanctuary in the State of Oregon, S. 1592, to clarify the description of certain Federal land under the Northern Arizona Land Exchange and Verde River Basin Partnership Act of 2005 to include additional land in the Kaibab National Forest, S. 1941 and H.R. 2223, bills to authorize, direct, expedite, and facilitate a land exchange in El Paso and Teller Counties, Colorado, S. 1942 and H.R. 1554, bills to require a land conveyance involving the Elkhorn Ranch and the White River National Forest in the State of Colorado, S. 1955, to amend the Alaska Native Claims Settlement Act to provide for equitable allotment of land to Alaska Native veterans, S. 1971, to expand the boundary of the California Coastal National Monument, and S. 2069, to amend the Omnibus Public Land Management Act of 2009 to modify provisions relating to certain land exchanges in the Mt. Hood Wilderness in the State of Oregon, 2:30 p.m., SD-366.

*Committee on Foreign Relations:* business meeting to consider S. 2152, to establish a comprehensive United States Government policy to encourage the efforts of countries in sub-Saharan Africa to develop and appropriate mix of power solutions, including renewable energy, for more broadly distributed electricity access in order to support poverty reduction, promote development outcomes, and